

Monday 24th April, 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

On behalf of Balshaw's Association PTFA, I would like to invite you to our Family Fun Day and Spring Fair on Saturday 6th May. Former Balshavian and Coronation Street star Tisha Merry will officially open proceedings at 11.00 am along with the Deputy Mayor and Mayoress.

It is a fantastic day. Last year we raised over £7000 for the Tyler and Lacey Fund. This year we are splitting our proceeds with St Catherine's Hospice, a cause that is close to the hearts of many people. We will have all sorts to make this a great day out for all the family. North West Reptiles will have their collection of lizards, snakes and other reptiles that you can hold. We will have a display from Horus Birds of Prey of the most fantastic birds. St Catherine's are bringing their fabulous Mini which can be won in their prize draw raffle.

There will be activities from Fun Leisure UK in the form of inflatables and games such as rodeo, pugil stick battles, wipe out style challenges etc. There will be burgers, pizzas and sweet stalls. The Porsche Owners Club will be here with a display of classic and modern sports cars – indeed you can have a go at Go-Karting on our own Go-Karting track! We will have a Performance Stage with music sets being performed throughout the day, including a performance from our very own X-Factor star Annabel Pike.

All this alongside the other usual favourites – toy stalls, chocolate tombola, drinks tombola and main tombola, smash the crockery, coconut shy, fabulous dance displays and many more. Ribble Wanderers will be running a beat the goalie and Euxton Cricket Club will also be running competitions. Tisha Merry will be judging our own Balshaw's Bake Off competition. This is always a very competitive event with some amazing entries each year.

What can you do to support the Balshaw's Family Fun Day and Spring Fair?

- **Buy a programme:** When the programmes go on sale you can get your reduced price entry in advance – each programme bought is automatically entered in a draw for a £25 Tesco voucher. Let your friends and family know – the more people who come, the better – this isn't just for people directly connected with Balshaw's. It is possible to pay your entry on the gate.

- **Non-uniform Day:** Friday 5th May is a non-uniform day. In order to come in non-uniform, all students have to bring in an item for the Family Fun Day and Spring Fair. In particular we are looking for:
 - Bottles for the drinks tombola (wine, spirits, beers etc.)
 - Chocolate bars/sweets for the chocolate tombola
 - Good prizes for the main tombola
 - Used console games (Xbox, Playstation etc.)
 - New or used books in excellent condition
 - Toys/stationery/plants

What can students do?

As part of the non-uniform day students will be given programmes to sell. These are £1.50 on the day, but any sold in advance are available at a reduced price of £1.00. They should bring in any of the items mentioned above to their form tutor and they can also take part in the 'Great Balshaw's Bake Off'.

Each year Family Fun Day and Spring Fair raises thousands of pounds. Let us pray for good weather so that we can really make a difference for St Catherine's Hospice and the opportunities for students at Balshaw's.

I look forward to seeing you for a fantastic day on Saturday 6th May.

Yours sincerely,



MR STEVEN HAYCOCKS
HEADTEACHER



The poster is vibrant and colorful, featuring a blue sky background with scattered flowers and leaves. At the top center, the school logo 'Balshaw's Church of England High School' is displayed. The main title 'SPRING FAIR & FAMILY FUN DAY' is written in large, bold, multi-colored letters (yellow, red, and green). Below the title, the date and time 'Saturday 6th May 2017 11am - 3pm' are clearly visible. On the left, a blue circular badge says 'Including plenty of Attractions & Stalls' next to an illustration of a colorful bouncy castle labeled 'Bouncy Castles'. On the right, there are two circular images: one of an owl with the text 'Birds of Prey' and another of a smiling woman, Tisha Merry, with the text 'Balshaw's Alumni' and 'CORONATION ST. Tisha Merry'.

